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### **Mother and daughter hospitalized following critical crash in Kilauea**

KILAUEA – Police responded to a single-vehicle crash on Kūhiō Highway in Kīlauea on Tuesday night that resulted in severe injuries for a Kīlauea woman and her daughter.

The incident occurred shortly before 9 p.m., when a Nissan sedan was heading north on the highway and apparently veered off the roadway and struck a guardrail before it crashed into a tree.

The 33-year-old female driver of the sedan and her six-year-old daughter, who was seated in the backseat, were transported to Wilcox Hospital with serious injuries. The child was later medevaced to Queen's Hospital.

Both mother and daughter remain hospitalized in critical condition.

Alcohol appears to be a suspected factor in the cause of the crash, which continues to be under police investigation.

Kūhiō Highway was closed from approximately 12 a.m. to 2:20 a.m. Wednesday morning to allow officers from KPD's Traffic Safety Section to conduct an on-scene investigation.

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